

# Minutes of the Operator Certification Advisory Council

## March 19, 2015

The Advisory Council met on Thursday, March 19, 2015. Members attending were: Richard Reed, member and chairman; Beth Darnell, member; Dan Cloyd, member; Tom Jedlinsky, member; Terry Meister, member; Mike Gallaway, member; Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit; Susan Parkins, Certification Unit. Tracey Phelps, member, arrived at 10:54 a.m.

The Class IV presentation began at 9:25 a.m. in EPA Conference Room A. Nine operators, Kristi Babcock, Steven Backus, Bernard Bruder, Jr., Jason Conrad, Douglas Frye, Robert Swisher, Ryan Watts, Timothy Williams and Gregory Yuronich attended the presentation. All participants remained to review exemplary Class IV examinations after the presentation.

The regular meeting was called to order at approximately 11:04 a.m. in EPA Conference Room B.

Tracey Phelps made a motion seconded by Mike Gallaway to approve the February 19, 2015 minutes as revised. Motion carried.

### 1) Class IV, Examinations (In review)

#### Water

NAME, LOCATION	DC	BD	VA	TJ	MG	TP	RR	TM
No Class IVs distributed 3/19/2015								

\*\* Denotes who currently has package. **"S"** Denotes who is preparing summary.

**"m"** Denotes mailed.

#### Wastewater

NAME, LOCATION	DC	BD	VA	TJ	MG	TP	RR	TM
Andy Catanzarite, City of Niles 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal, 4 copies, recd. 3/06/15					**	**	** <b>s</b>	**
Robert R. Elmerick, Medina County 2 <sup>nd</sup> submittal, 4 copies, recd. 3/10/15			**		** <b>s</b>		**	**
Jason Grooms, Cincinnati MSD 1 <sup>st</sup> submittal, 4 copies, recd. 3/10/15					**	**	**	** <b>s</b>

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### 2) Class IV Actions

#### WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Orin A. McMonigle	City of Lorain	Recommend failing

#### WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	ACTION
Christopher McGibbeny	City of Toledo	Recommend passing
William G. Bregant	City of Ravenna	Recommend returning for additional information

Mike Gallaway made a motion seconded by Beth Darnell to pass the examination of Christopher McGibbeny, return William Bregant's examination for additional information, and fail the examination of Orin McMonigle.

### **3) Reciprocity**

Charles E. Devaney, Jr. has requested reciprocity with the State of Ohio. He has held a Wastewater Class 1 certification in the State of West Virginia since May 28, 2014. Mr. Devaney received his West Virginia Class 1 certification after passing the West Virginia Class 1 Wastewater exam. Additional information from West Virginia is required.

Ronald Earl Grall, Jr. has requested reciprocity with the State of Ohio. He has held a Water Class A certification in the State of South Carolina since November 12, 2013. South Carolina's Class D is the lowest certification and South Carolina's Class A Water certification is the highest level of certification. Mr. Grall received his South Carolina certification after passing the ABC Standardized examination. ABC standardized Class A exam is equivalent to Ohio's Class 3 Water Supply exam.

Mike Gallaway made a motion recommending Ronald Grall, Jr be granted reciprocity for a Class 3 Water Supply certification pending proof of employment in the State of Ohio and Mr. Devaney's request be tabled until the April 2015 meeting. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **4) Extensions**

David S. Low, Montgomery County Water Services, had a due date of March 15, 2015 for his Class IV Wastewater Treatment examination. On February 23, 2015, he requested a one year extension.

Shawn McCormick, Mahoning County, has a due date of March 30, 2015 for his Class IV Water Supply examination. On February 23, 2015 he requested an extension.

Mike Gallaway made a motion to grant Mr. Low and Mr. McCormick each a one year extension to complete their examinations. Tracey Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **5) Withdrawals**

On February 23, 2015, Rick Schaffer, City of Norwalk, requested his Class IV Water Supply exam application be withdrawn. Mr. Schaffer may reapply for a Class IV Water Supply exam at a future date of his choice. No action is required by Council.

### **6) Operating-in-Training**

Operator-in-Training (OIT) applications approved between February 19, 2015 and March 19, 2015 Council meetings were: David C. Boles (WD1); Louis Coccia III (WSA); Shannon T. Dennis (WD2); Joshua R. Griffin (WW2); Chad Kidd (WC2); Kyle S. Kistler (WS1); Jakub Mazur (WS1, WS2) Michael F. Knowles (WW2); Dennis A. Lamson (WW2); James S. Martin (WD2); David P. Rastetter (WS2); Brian E. Rice (WC2); Brandon W. Smith (WW1); Jacquie S. Sturgell (WW1).

## **7) Other Business**

Council reviewed the syllabus for a Bachelor of Science major of Conservation Biology from Kent State University. Beth Darnell made a motion to approve water or wastewater experience time specifically for Kent State University's Bachelor of Science major of Conservation Biology. Mike Gallaway seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The following Class IV applications were approved between the February 19, 2015 and March 19, 2015 Council meetings: Daniel D. Dyar (WS); Matthew D. Ice (WW); Mirko Jucinic (WW); CarrieAnne Rosemark (WW); Brian D. Starr (WS); Robert T. Swisher (WS); Anthony P. Vigorito (WS); David D. Weihrauch (WS); and Gregory K. Yuronich (WS).

At 11:53 a.m. Mike Gallaway made a motion to move into executive session. Beth Darnell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 12:54 p.m. Mike Gallaway made a motion to move out of executive session. Tom Jedlinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 12:55 p.m. Mike Gallaway made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terry Meister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next Council meeting will be held Thursday, April 16, 2015 in Ohio EPA Conference Room B.

**Council Approved: April 16, 2015**